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R.D. 2, Nazareth, Pa.

SEPTEMBER 30TH TO OCTOBER 7TH, 1962

Jesus makes my heart rejoice,
I'm His sheep, and know His voice;
He's a Shepherd, kind and gracious,
And His pastures are delicious;
Constant love to me He shows,
Yea, my very name He knows.

Trusting His mild staff always,
I go in and out in peace;
He will feed me with the treasure
Of His grace in richest measure;
When athirst to Him I cry,
Living water He'll supply.

Should not I for gladness leap,
Led by Jesus as His sheep?
For when these blest days are over,
To the arms of my dear Saviour
I shall be conveyed to rest:
Amen, yea, my lot is blest.



JOHN HUS.

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JOHN HUS

By Andrew P. Slabey

The venerable Moravian Church derives its origin from the preaching of a great man of God by the name of John Hus. He was a native of Bohemia of Czech nationality where he lived from 1369 to 1415 A.D. His parents were free citizens of Husinetz town where they owned a stone house.

John was a good boy and showed an aptitude for learning. About an hour's walk down the river in Prachatice was a Latin school where he prepared for Prague University where he received the B.A., B.D., and M.A. degrees. His aim was to become an honored priest but he became even more. He took his ordination seriously and dedicated his heart to Christ in prayer. Because Hus was a good preacher the archbishop appointed him to preach before the Synods. He could preach well in Czech, Latin and German.

Hus was also a popular professor in the Department of Philosophy at the University and became its dean in 1401. He was a man of pleasant, cheerful personality. In that same year he was appointed preacher at the famous Bethlehem Chapel in the heart of Prague, which had been erected by Sir Knight John of Milheim and the merchant Kriz for the purpose of preaching the Word of God in Czech, a Slavic language of the country. It was his duty to preach in Czech on Sunday mornings and afternoons, also on holidays which were many. He even had Bible verses and pictures of Christ on the walls of the large chapel hall.

This position brought Hus not only greater honor, but also a fair salary which freed him from worry as to how to make the ends meet. Now he could be proud, but he wasn't. In fact, he became an even more humble and devoted servant of the Lord. He fell on his knees privately and prayed earnestly to Christ not from a book but from his heart to make a powerful witness of His truth.

Thousands of people of all classes from the lowly peasants to the king and queen came to hear Hus preach. He dove into his subject instantly like a swimmer into water. His voice carried far, and his enthusiasim captured the hearers. He believed the Bible, studied it diligently and saw that the Roman Church became corrupted, and drifted away from the Gospel of Christ. The Latin books of an English priest and Oxford professor, John Wycliffe, on the Church were brought to Prague University and were eagerly read. Hus read them, too, but was slow to accept everything. But where Hus saw that Wycliffe was right, he took it and defended it when trouble arose over the teachings. He still taught at the university.

Hus saw the need of reform and repentance. Like St. Paul, Hus loved his Czech nation and fought for its rights and fair treatment of all. He preached intelligently on practical subjects, showing a better way, attacking the sins of the people, of the priests, of the bishops and even of the popes of whom there were three at this time.

This drew him the enmity and jealousy of the clergy. He lost the favor of the archbishop and the king when he attacked the sale of indulgences which brought them revenue. The pope needed the money to wage war against the King of Naples. Hus declared it a sin to spill Christian blood. The archbishop ordered Wycliffe's books burned and forbid Hus to preach.

The pope summoned Hus for an account to Rome, but he excused himself. The pope in 1412 pronounced a curse on Hus and a ban on Prague. That meant no church services, no bells rung, and nobody was allowed to give food or shelter to Jan Hus under severe penalty.

Now Hus had many friends as well as enemies. He found refuge in a castle where he wrote important books like the one on the Church. Luther and Calvin who came a hundred years after Hus, had the advantage of the printing press, invented after Hus. His books had to be copied by hand. Fortunately a number of his manuscripts have been preserved.

From the castle Hus would ride a horse to preach in the highways and byways, under lindens and oaks, in villages, even in his hometown of Husinets, and the people heard him gladly and loved him.

In 1414, a Roman Church Council convened at the city of Constance where Hus was summoned to give an account. Although he had a letter of safety from the king, no sooner than Hus arrived with his friends he was seized like a criminal, thrown into a filthy dungeon and kept in chains through the winter with great suffering and broken health. When he was called before the judges he was not given a fair trial. They only demanded of him to recant. Hus said he would, if they would prove his errors from the Bible. That they could not do, so they dishonored him publicly and condemned him to be burned alive at the stake. This took place on July 6, 1415. Hus went bravely to his martyred death praying and singing. They burned his body, but not his spirit. That lives to this day. His books and his songs that he had his congregation sing are published. All the Czechoslovak Protestants own him. He is a national and religious hero. His Bethlehem Chapel, which had been demolished for many years, has been restored to its original form.

John Hus was a Reformer before the Reformation. Of course, he didn't go as far as the later ones, because he died at the age of 44, but he did hold a number of Reformation principals. Here are some of them:

1. Hus held the Bible as supreme authority in faith and life.
2. He belived in the Holy Trinity.
3. He believed in salvation by faith in Christ. (Eph. 2:8, 9.)
4. The supremacy of Jesus Christ over the popes in his Church.
5. He believed men are all equal before God.
6. He believed in freedom of religion and conscience. He said heretics should not be punished with death, but dealt with according to Mt. 18:15-17.

Hus lived a noble life of Christian character. We need not be ashamed of him. Let me translate one of his famous sayings:

"O beloved Christian! Seek the Truth, hear the truth, learn the truth, love the truth, speak the truth, hold the truth, defend the truth unto death, for the truth will make you free from sin. Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ who is the true God and true man."



I.—THE MORAVIAN CHURCH IN GENERAL

The members of this Protestant Church are known as Moravians, because Moravia, a province of the Austrian Empire, during the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries constituted one of the chief seats of their Church, and because it was renewed in the eighteenth, by refugees from that country who fled to Germany for the sake of religious liberty. Their official name, however, is THE UNITAS FRATRUM, that is, THE UNITY OF THE BRETHREN, or THE BRETHREN'S CHURCH. It originated in Bohemia and soon spread to Moravia.

About the middle of the ninth century these two countries were converted to Christianity chiefly through the labors of the two illustrious missionaries of the Greek Church, Cyril and Methodius. They translated the Bible into the language of the people, and introduced a national ritual. Hence, when Bohemia and Moravia gradually fell under the ecclesiastical jurisdiction of Rome, they, from the very earliest times, protested against some of its claims, and resisted its spiritual tyranny. Such opposition led, at last, to the Bohemian Reformation, of which John Hus, born July 6, 1369, was the distinguished leader. The Council of Constance, before which he appeared to plead his cause, broke its pledge of personal safety and condemned him to the stake. He suffered martyrdom on July 6, 1415.

Out of his ashes rose the Brethren's Church. It was founded by some of his followers in 1457, on the estate of Lititz, about one hundred miles east of Prague. This was sixty years before Luther began his reformation, and more than a century before the Anglican Church, from which the Episcopalians are descended, was fully established. The Moravian is, therefore, by far the oldest Protestant Church, the origin of which is accurately known.

Four principals were adopted by its members as the basis of their union: namely, first, the Bible is the only source of Christian doctrine; second, public worship is to be administered in accordance with the teachings of the Scriptures, and on the model of the Apostolic Church; third, the Lord's Supper is to be received in faith, to be doctrinally defined in the language of the Bible, and every human explanation of that language is to be avoided; and fourth, godly Christian life is essential as an evidence of saving faith.

Lititz soon became the rallying-point for awakened persons throughout Bohemia and Moravia, so that the new Church rapidly increased. When Luther began his reformation in 1517, the Brethren of Bohemia and Moravia constituted a church of reformers numbering at least two hundred thousand members, counting over four hundred parishes, using hymn-books and catechisms of its own, proclaiming its doctrine in confessions of faith, employing printing presses, and scattering Bohemian Bibles broadcast through the land. In the course of time a friendly correspondence was opened with the Reformers both of Germany and Switzerland.

Both Roman Catholic and the National Church persecuted the Brethren with fire and sword. No less than four different seasons of persecution broke out from 1461 till 1547. The Brethren "had trials of cruel mockings and scouragings, yea moreover, of bonds and imprisonment." They held their public services and their synods at night, in dense solitudes, around fires, under the starry canopy of heaven. They were tortured on the rack, burned at the stake. But the blood of the martyrs was the seed of the Church.

The fourth persecution led to the spread of the Brethren's Church to

Poland, where it grew so rapidly that in 1557 its Polish parishes constituted a distinct Province in addition to the two already existing Provinces of Bohemia and Moravia.

In the early part of the Thirty Years' War, when the Bohemian Protestants had been defeated at the battle of the White Mountain, in 1620, the Emperor Ferdinand II inaugurated the so-called Anti-Reformation, with the avowed purpose of crushing evangelical religion in Bohemia and Moravia. This end was accomplished in 1627. Only a hidden seed of the Church of the Brethren remained in these lands; the majority of its members, as well as the Lutherans and Reformed, were driven into exile.

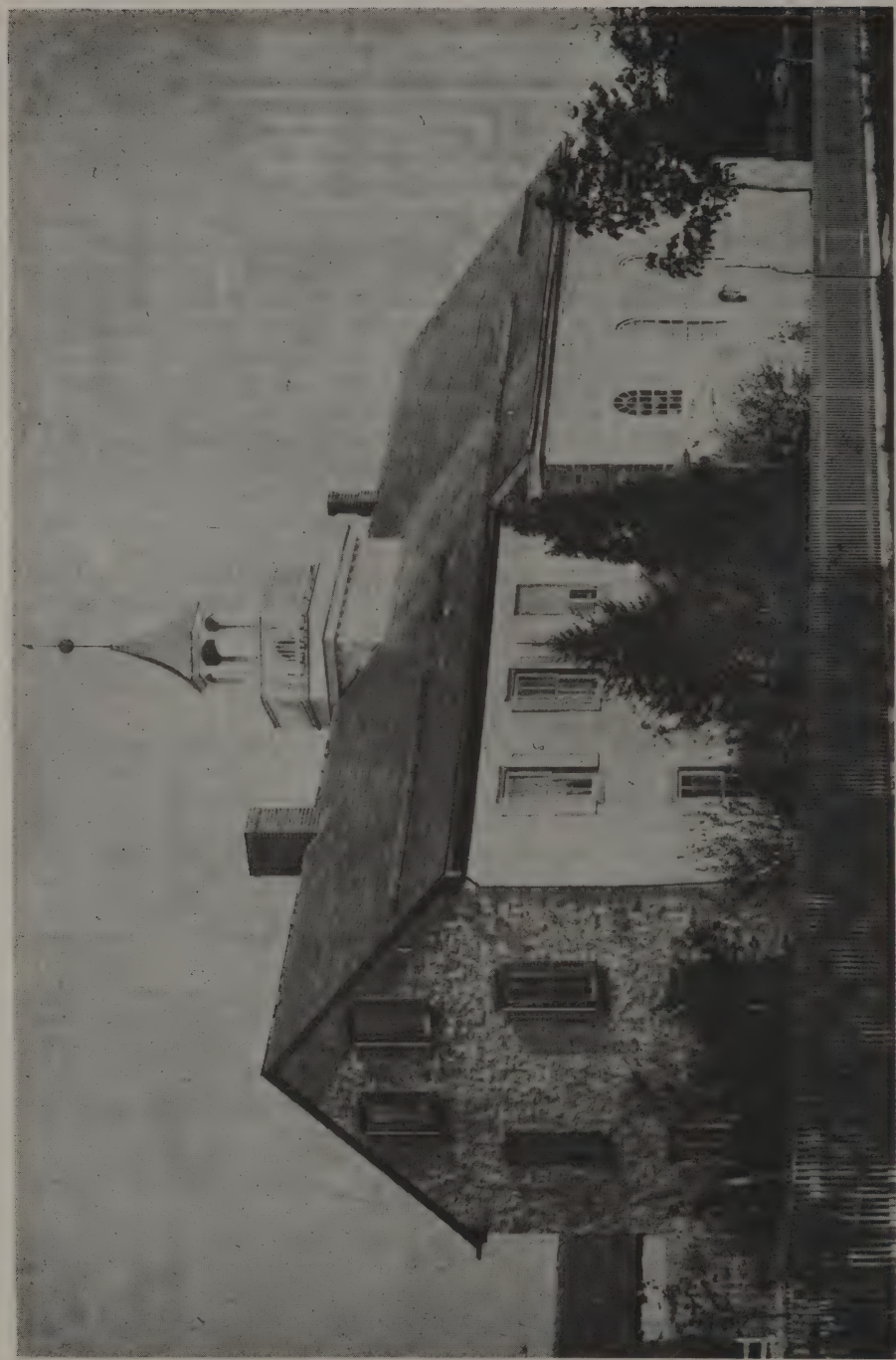
The Polish Province of the Church now acquired special importance. Here a new center for its beneficent activity was established as Lissa. A number of parishes were also established in Hungary; yet the Brethren hoped and prayed for a return to their native land. But the peace of Westphalia excluded Bohemia and Moravia from the benefits of religious liberty which was elsewhere established. In 1656 Lissa was sacked and burned in the war which broke out between Poland and Sweden. For upwards of a half century the Brethren's Church ceased to exist as a visible organization. Yet its hidden seed in Bohemia and Moravia remained. Its illustrious Bishop, Amos Comenius, the great educational reformer, filled with a prophetic anticipation of its future renewal, republished its history, confession, and discipline, commended its members to the Church of England, and took steps to perpetuate its Episcopate.

In 1707 George Jaeschke, an aged patriarch of Moravia, descended from the Brethren, spoke on his death-bed with great assurance of the speedy renewal of their Church. Fifteen years later two of his grandsons, Augustin and Jacob Neisser, with their families, followed Christian David to Saxony, where on June 17, 1722, they began to build the town of Herrnhut, on the estate of Count Zinzendorf, who had offered them an asylum.

Under the leadership of the pious Count, Herrnhut soon became the rallying-place for the descendants of the Brethren, several hundred of whom emigrated from Bohemia and Moravia. They introduced their ancient discipline, handed down by Comenius, and to them, in 1735, their venerable Episcopate was transmitted from its surviving representatives. The Church again grew and prospered not only in the land of its renewal, but spread to various countries and heathen lands. John Wesley, the honored founder of the Methodist Church, acknowledged himself to have been spiritually indebted to its leaders.

In the year 1732 the Moravian Church began its extended foreign mission work, sending its first messengers, Leonard Dober and David Nitschmann, to the negroes of St. Thomas in the West Indies. There are at present, after an unbroken missionary activity of two hundred and thirty years, more than one hundred thousand converts in its care, gathered in no less than eighteen different heathen lands.

In America the history of the Moravian Church dates back to the year 1735, when a company of Moravians set sail for the Colony of Georgia. Efforts toward establishing permanent settlements here failing, led the survivors to accept the offer of George Whitefield, the renowned evangelist, to accompany him to Pennsylvania, where a congregation was organized in 1742 at Bethlehem, near the juncture of the Lehigh with the Delaware River. From this center, during the lapse of succeeding years, the Gospel was brought to the Indians in various parts of our land, churches were organized in different sections of the United States and Canada, and a vigorous activity was maintained in the schools established for the education of the young.



Stone Parsonage and Church (As it appeared previous to 1888)

II.—THE CONGREGATION AT SCHOENECK

The history of the Moravian Congregation at Schoeneck (Pleasant Corner), located one mile north of Nazareth, in Northampton County, is interesting, not only because of the length of time covered, but also because of its connection with one family, viz., that of the Clewells.

In 1754 a number of dwellers in Bushkill Township, then a part of Plainfield Township, petitioned the Synod of the Brethren, or Moravians, in session at Bethel on the Swatara, to send a minister "who could proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ to them pure and unadulterated like the Apostle of old." The petition was signed by Franz Clewell, George Clewell, John Peter Stoudt, John Kuechle, Henry Kostenbader, Walter Mueller, and Walter Bleily.

Among these seven persons, Franz Clewell, who had been awakened by a sermon preached by the Rev. Eschenbach, in Oley, was the prime author of this movement, being influenced chiefly by his concern for the salvation of his children.

Synod resolved to send a minister, and as a result services were held in the home of Franz Clewell. During 1755 these services were held from time to time, each meeting attracted more of the neighbors until in 1756 the question of building a place of worship and a school house was earnestly discussed.

All of this small band of worshippers felt the need of equipment, but the obstacles to be overcome seemed mountains in size.

About the year 1756, the Moravian Synod again came to their aid when a resolution was passed for the establishment of a congregational site on the Nazareth Tract, a short mile from Nazareth Hall in the direction of the Blue Mountains. This place so established received the name Schoeneck, named after a place in Austria which belonged to Count Zinzendorf's family.

The first house was built on this congregational site in 1760 by George Clauss. In the spring of 1762, the building of the proposed place of worship, and school house was commenced, and so steadily and eagerly was the work pushed that the third of October of the same year was designated as the date for the consecration services.

On August 12, 1762, the first Pastor, the Rev. Daniel Neubert, and his wife Hannah, arrived.

In 1763 the cemetery, or "God's Acre," was laid out, and it was so destined that the builder of the first house, George Clauss, should also be the first one to be buried in the cemetery.

At the dedication service held October 3, 1762, announcement was made that all those friends who had aided in building the place of worship would be considered as "Societaets Members," i. e. such who have mutually banded themselves together, not to live for themselves in the world, but to live for Him alone.

Many people from Nazareth, Christian Springs, and Gnadenthal were present for the dedication, and to see the new settlement.

The congregation flourished, and many of its members began settling nearer to the church, thus it was that the village was established. In less than thirty years the necessity of building a larger church became apparent. At the celebration of the congregational Festival on the third of October, 1792, the limited equipment caused earnest discussion. It was proposed by some to enlarge the old church building, while others favored the building of a new church. The latter proposal was finally approved by a majority.

The matter was then referred to the General Helpers' Conference, which body added its approval. The new church was to be built of stone, forty-two feet long, thirty-six feet wide, and sixteen feet high, same to be placed on the south side of the old school house, and connected with it by a passage way. During the winter of 1792-93 the stones and timbers were gathered by the members, who were also faithfully, and without remuneration, assisted by the Moravian Brethren located in Nazareth, as well as the whole neighborhood.

After faithful labor, June 17, 1793, was fixed as the day for the corner-stone laying. On the following 27th day of July, the roof was placed, and the work progressed in such rapid fashion, that October 20, 1793, was designated as the time for Consecration, and Dedication.

The congregation, at this time, consisted of 56 married men and women, 1 widower, 4 widows, 4 unmarried men, 9 larger boys, 9 unmarried women, 7 larger girls, 30 boys, and 35 girls.

The first church and school house was razed in 1826, upon which spot the present parsonage was built, the same connecting with the north wall of the new church, built in 1793. This church in turn was razed in 1888, and the present edifice erected, and dedicated October 6, 1889. Among the members of the building committee for the erection of this church was Lewis B. Clewell, a descendent of Franz, while the bell in the tower of the church was a donation to the congregaion by the descendants of Philip Clewell, through the instrumentality of the Rev. Lewis P. Clewell. The bell bears the following inscription: "In memory of Philip and Anna Maria Clewell, by their children and grandchildren, 1889."

The Congregation at present is composed of 275 communicant members, 45 contributing members, with 33 Non-Communicants and 160 children. The Sunday School averages about 180 per Sunday. There are four vocal choirs with about 100 singers, and a Brass Choir of more than 50 players. We look back upon 200 years of usefulness to the Lord in this Community, and say, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." We look forward to the beginning of the third century of Schoeneck's history with much anticipation.

The following pastors have served the congregation since its organization:

1762	Daniel Neubert	1844	George F. Traeger
1765	Peter Brown	1855	William Eberman
1766	Wolfgang Michler	1856	Ehrenfried Linke
1785	Elbert Coortsen	1860	John Regennas
1792	Nils Tillofsen	1880	Christian Neu
1793	Philip J. Reizenbach	1885	George F. Bahnson
1795	Chr. F. Schaaf	1893	Lewis P. Clewell
1796	Johann Molther	1894	Wilson A. Cope
1798	John F. Frueauff	1897	George F. Bahnson
1799	Ludwig Strohle	1911	Charles Nagel
1803	Freidrich Moehring	1912	Charles D. Kreider
1803	Paulus Weiss	1914	William Strohmeier
1813	John Molther	1918	Reinhold Henkelman
1815	Theodore Shultz	1921	W. S. Meek
1821-1822	Pastorate vacant	1925	Robert I. Giering
1822	Ludwig F. Lambert	1928	Robert H. Brennecke
1835	Carl Christlieb Dober	1931	James F. Gross
1837	Levin Th. Reichel	1944	Albert J. Harke
1839	Sylvester Wolle	1954	Allen S. Hedgecock
1841	Edward Rondthaler		



JOHN RASMUSSEN,
1860--1880



CHRISTIAN NEU,
1880--1885



GEORGE F. RASMUSSEN,
1885--1893, 1897--1911



LEWIS P. CLEWELL,
1893--1894



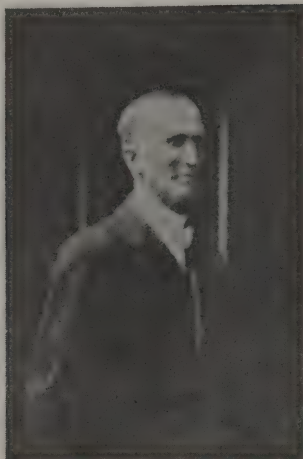
WILSON A. COPE,
1894--1897



CHARLES MAULE,
1911--1913



CHARLES D. KREIDER,
1913--1914



WILLIAM STROHMEYER,
1914--1918



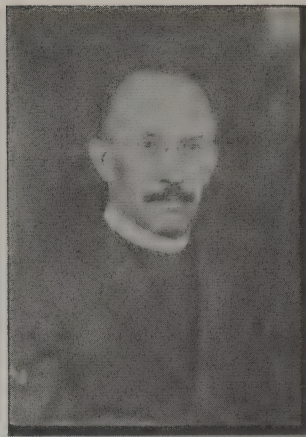
REINHOLD HENKELMAN
1918--1921



WILLIAM S. MECK,
1921--1925



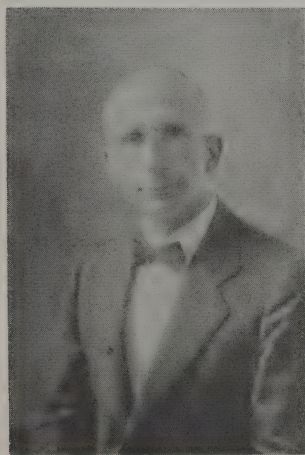
ROBERT I. GIERING,
1928--1929



ROBERT M. BRESNACK,
1928--1931



JAMES F. GROSS,
1931--1944



ALBERT J. HANKS,
1944--1945



ALLEN S. HEDBROOK,
1944--



View of Village of Schoeneck from the Bell Tower, looking north.
About 1900.



Schoeneck's Graveyard as it appeared about 1900.



OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES OF THE FIRST REUNION OF THE CLEWELL FAMILY

HELD AUGUST 26, 1903

- Front Row — Monroe Clewell, J. J. Clewell, Thomas D. Clewell, O. B. Deth, G. A. Schneebeli, Rev. Wm. Oerter, Second Row — Thomas B. Clewell, S. T. P. Stelner, A. S. Bishop, H. E. Clewell, O. A. Clewell, F. G. Fehr, S. A. Trell, W. A. Siegfried, Third Row — W. D. Seyfried, Secretary; Rev. George H. Bahnsen, Pastor of the Schoeneck Church; Rev. T. G. Clewell, South Park, O.; Lewis B. Clewell, President; Ellis Schneebeli; Rev. Lewis P. Clewell; O. L. Fehr, Rev. Robert Clewell, Ephraim Loux, J. H. Fehr.



MEETING AND PICNIC OF THE SISTERS UNION

at the home of Mrs. William Clewell at 205 Main St., Emmaus, Pa.

SUMMER 1911

Front Row — Mrs. Frank Ehret, Mrs. Fred Heckman, Mrs. George Hahn and Ellen Hahn, Mrs. Carl Seyfried, Mrs. Warren Siegfried, Mrs. George Bahnson, Mrs. Stephen Trein, Mrs. Elmer Nolf.

Second Row — Mrs. Edward Clewell, Mrs. Louis Andrews, Mrs. William Siegfried, Mrs. Lewis Kostenbader, Mrs. Fred Andrews, Mrs. Ephraim Loux.

Third Row — Mrs. John Clewell, Mrs. Eugene Kostenbader, Mary Loux, (a visitor), Mrs. William Clewell, Katharine Clewell.

Historical Notes.

The Schoeneck Congregation had its beginning in the home of Franz and George Clewell as early as 1757.

The first church building was erected and consecrated in 1762.

The Congregation was formally organized October 3, 1762.

The second church building was erected in 1793, and dedicated October 20, the same year.

The third church building was erected in 1888-1889 and dedicated October 6, 1889.

The Grave-Yard, God's Acre, was consecrated in 1763.

The parsonage was erected in 1826.

Order of Services.

- 9:00 A. M. Morning Prayer.
10:30 A. M. Festival Sermon.
2:00 P. M. Love Feast.
4:00 P. M. Holy Communion.
6:45 P. M. Illustrated Song Service.
7:30 P. M. Evening Service.

The Festival Sermon will be preached by Charles L. Moench, D.D., Episcopus Fratrum, who with the Rev. Paul de Schweinitz, D.D., will represent the Provincial Elders' Conference.

The former Pastors of the Congregation, Rev. Geo. F. Bahnson, Rev. Wilson A. Cope and Rev. Charles Nagle, have been invited to take part in the services.

Schoeneck Moravian Church



Sesqui-Centennial Celebration

Sunday, October 6, 1912

You are Cordially Invited to Attend.

Rev. John H. Clewell, Ph.D., Moravian Seminary and College for Women, Bethlehem, Pa., will represent the descendants of Franz and George Clewell.

Cornelius Weygandt, Ph.D., Professor of English Literature, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa., a descendant of Cornelius and Agnetta Weygandt, will deliver an address.

Many other prominent men and interesting speakers have been invited and are expected to participate in the services.

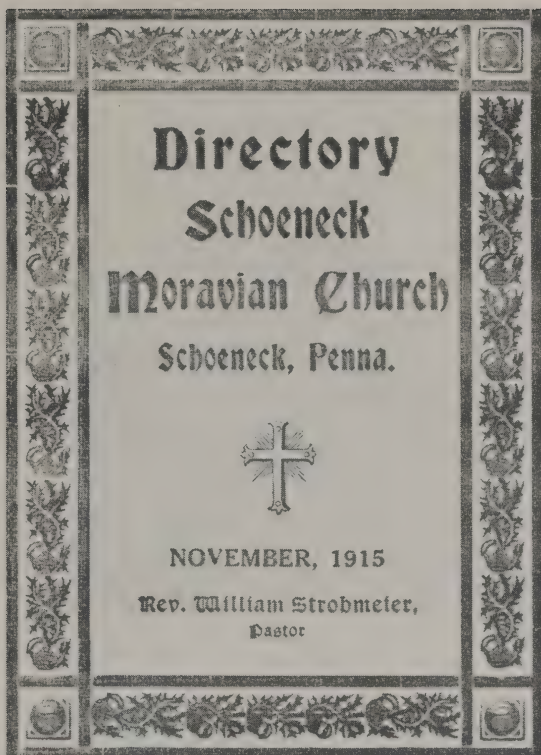




Schoeneck Church interior, front view, 1912.



Rear view of church interior — 1912



SCHOENECK MORAVIAN CHURCH
Schoeneck, Penna.

Directory of the Schoeneck Moravian Church

SERVICES AND MEETINGS

Sunday

- 9.30 A. M.—Sunday School
10.30 A. M.—Preaching Service, English and German, alternately.
6.45 P. M.—Christian Endeavor Prayer Meeting
7.30 P. M.—English Preaching Service
Meeting of the Trustees on the first Monday evening of the month.
Meeting of the Sisters' Union on the first Saturday evening of the month.
Meeting of the Young Men's Association on the last Wednesday evening of the month.

Officers of the Church

Pastor

William Strohmeier R. D. 2, Nazareth, Pa.

Elders

Ephraim Loux Tilghman Clewell

Trustees

Clement Lerch—President
J. J. Clewell—Vice President
Herbert Beil—Secretary
Carl Seyfried—Treasurer

"Diener"

Elmer Nolf	Mrs. William Tretn
Herbert Snyder	Mrs. Carl Seyfried
Herbert Beil	Mrs. Elmer Nolf
Robert Colver	Mrs. Herbert Snyder

Organist and Leader of Church Choir

Carl Seyfried

Sisters' Union

President—Mrs. Wm. Strohmeier
Vice President—Mrs. Fred Andrews
Secretary—Mrs. Carl Seyfried
Treasurer—Mrs. Fred Heckman

November, 1915

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Y. P. S. C. E.

President—Warren Siegfried
Vice President—Eugene Trein
Recording Secretary—Emily Strohmeier
Treasurer—Harry Gower
Corresponding Secretary—Warren Siegfried

Young Men's Association

President—Harry Gower
Vice President—Floyd Clewell
Secretary—Rowland Strohmeier
Assistant Secretary—Clarence Lerch
Treasurer—Frank Yob

King's Daughters' Circle

Leader—Miss Anna Beitel
Secretary—Helen Adams
Treasurer—Bessie Patterson

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Superintendent—Eugene Trein
Assistant Superintendent—Fred Heckman
Secretary—Rowland Strohmeier
Assistant Secretary—Clarence Lerch
Treasurer—Jos. H. Seyfried
Organist—Brooks Siegfried
Assistant Organist—Frank Yob
Cornetist—Wm. Siegfried
Librarian—Clarence Lerch
Assistant Librarian—Paul Frack
Supt. of Home Dept.—Mrs. Wm. Strohmeier
Supt. of Cradle Roll—Mrs. Warren Siegfried

Primary Department

Superintendent—Miss Anna Beitel
Assistant Superintendent—Mrs. Fred Heckman
Organist—Carl Seyfried
Assistant Organist—Mrs. Brooks Siegfried



**Schoeneck Church showing the first Sunday School Annex erected in 1916.
Picture taken about 1930.**



Schoeneck Church — About 1934



Schoeneck Sunday School Picnic held at Black Rock about 1921 with Pastors Henklemann, and Meek,



BEREAN CLASS — ABOUT 1935

Front Row — Mrs. David Mack, Mrs. Clayton Kostenbader, Mrs. William Messinger, Mrs. Norman Butz, Mrs. Eugene Keller, Mrs. Charles Rapp, William Lieberman.

Second Row — Stephen Trein, Mrs. Stephen Trein, Mrs. Lewis Kostenbader, Mrs. Elwood Koehler, Mrs. Harry Werner, Mrs. Tilghman Clewell, Mrs. Sarah Hawk, Mrs. Anna Abert, Tilghman Clewell, Mrs. Eugene Trein — Teacher.

Third Row — Mrs. William Saeger, Eugene Kostenbader, Mrs. Brooks Siegfried, Adam Heimer, William Saeger, Frank Yob, Mrs. Mack's Mother, Thomas Koehler.



YOUNG MEN'S CLASS — ABOUT 1935

Front Row — Lester Beil, Frank Harriegle, Robert Laudenback, Charles Schaefer, Jr., Franklin Morris, Harry Gower — Teacher.

Second Row — Eugene Trein, Robert Snyder, Harold Yob, Harold Butz, Richard Siegfried, Thomas Siegfried, Millard Rice, Elwood Kostenbader, Allen Lilly, Willard Butz.



Parsonage and Church — About 1942

Installation Service
for the Rev. Allen S.
Hedgecock, May, 1954

Rev. Allen Hedge-
cock, Rt. Rev. Ken-
neth Hamilton, and
Rev. Edward Swave-
ly, (Interim Pastor,
1953-1954).



Interior view of the pulpit of Schoeneck Church. About 1955.

PATRONS

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- Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Altemose
 Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bachman
 Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beck
 Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beil, Jr.
 Mr. and Mrs. William Beitel
 John and Ruth Beitel
 Mrs. Roy Bender
 Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Bender, Sr.
 Mr. and Mrs. David C. Berger
 Mr. and Mrs. Earl Berger
 Linda and Dianne Berger
 Mrs. Emily C. Bickert
 Mrs. May H. Bowers
 Mr. and Mrs. William Breyfogle, Jr.
 Patricia, Jane Louise and Kathy
 Breyfogle
 Mr. and Mrs. Harold Buskirk
 Kevin and Lisa Buskirk
 Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Bush
 Danforth Robert Bush
 Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Butz
 Elaine and Brenda Butz
 Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Butz
 Kenneth, Karl and Nancy Butz
 Mr. and Mrs. Willard Butz
 David Butz
 Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cassano
 Tom, Dennis and Mary Beth
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"SCHOENECK STRUGGLES WITH ADVERSITY" a paper prepared by the Rev. Vernon Nelson of Moravian Archives, and presented to the Schoeneck Congregation and over Radio Station WEST of Easton, Pa. by Bro. Millard Rice, an Elder, Sunday, August 5, 1962 at 10:45 A.M. as a part of the Bicentennial Year Observance. (Broadcast Sponsored by Board of Elders).

If it were not for the diligent record keeping of Moravian ministers throughout the years no historical sketches of Schoeneck could be written. The diaries, reports, letters and the other accounts they left, all have to be searched to dig out the important information. Here is one such record originally written in German, and more interesting than most:

"On October 1, 1763, Br. Lembke conducted the Holy Communion. 15 communicants were present. A married brother, George Lorentsan and a married sister Wiegand were confirmed. On the 2nd we remembered with thankful hearts the dedication of our **Gemeinhaus** and the establishment of our congregation one year ago today. On the 7th Sister Demuth, receiving instructions from Bethlehem, brought her daughter Anna Maria home from the choirhouse at that place. On the 8th there was an unexpected alarm due to an Indian attack on the Irish settlement. Our little place, as also Friedenthal and the Rose Inn, were swiftly filled with refugees from our vicinity and this continued for several more days from distant places, and thus for a time we were the settlers farthest out in the direction of the Blue Mountains. After a few days the men left and went to their places, to look after them and to do a little work. The wives and children, however, which filled all the corners of our houses, remained here."

This Schoeneck congregation, now celebrating its 200th anniversary, has decided that such words from the past as these should not be for-

gotten. To be sure everything cannot be mentioned here, but on each of these 4 Sundays in August one significant theme running through the history of Schoeneck, will be discussed briefly. Most of the quotations from the German records mentioned are the work of Miss Elizabeth Bahnson.

Theme I. Schoeneck struggles against adversity, with God's help.

We who live in the 20th century often fail to realize what difficulties the Americans in previous centuries had to face. We easily drive over the mountains to Ohio at 50 - 60 miles per hour, forgetting what a formidable barrier these mountains were to wagons going west. With modern medicine, fire and police departments, public utilities, we forget the dangers and isolation of the early settlers. The records indicate that also the people of Schoeneck had to face these difficulties. We have already mentioned Indians. Here are some other examples.

SNOW. "On January 9th, 1836, the heavy snowfall broke down many branches in orchards and woods. Snows continued until the 24th . . . The 28th there was freezing weather going to 22 degrees below zero on the 29th, and February was just as cold and snowy." "It snowed all day April 12th (1841), the 43rd snow of this winter."

WIND. "There was a severe thunderstorm with heavy rain and hail on May 22nd, (1804) breaking down many fences, blowing off barn roofs, and tearing out fruit and forest trees by the roots."

LIGHTNING. (1843) "The Henry home was damaged by lightning, and Br. Sidney Clewell's blacksmith shop was entirely destroyed by fire."

FIRE. (Dec. 14, 1880) "Nine year old John McGrath suffered severe burns of the face and right hand; also Will Hall, from boiling varnish on the kitchen stove, set the house on fire. Will's mother was so badly injured that she died on December 20."

RUNAWAY HORSES. "The evening of June 9th, a runaway team ran wildly through our village with a woman and 5 children, running on to Nazareth. The mother with a baby in her arms was thrown out in Schoeneck, 1 leg being fractured, and the other children were thrown out, several of them sustaining injuries, but no one being killed."

DISEASE AND ILLNESS. Whooping cough, measles, smallpox, scarlet fever, dysentery, typhoid, all are particularly mentioned. In 1878, there is the pathetic account of the death of Walter Regennas, son of the pastor. "March 17th, after playing the organ a while, son Walter, not well for the past 4 years, went into his room in the evening, had severe hemorrhages, passed away 9:30 p.m., aged 22 years. Many relatives and friends visited and many calls of sympathy."

It would be possible to find many more examples of the adversities the residents here had to face. Of course, nearly all of these things can happen today, also. We do not have runaway horses — we have runaway automobiles. We do have floods and fires and snowstorms and diseases, but we have more means to cope with them. The point is, that what for us these days usually is the exception, for them often was the rule.

Possibly it was because of so many difficulties that these people turned to God, and that a church was erected here at Schoeneck. They had such close experiences with the perils of life that they knew they needed God's help. We also face adversity and have problems as serious as theirs. Will we too place our trust in God?

"SCHOENECK AND DENOMINATIONAL PRACTICES" a paper prepared by the Rev. Vernon Nelson and presented at Schoeneck Church and over Radio Station WEST of Easton, Pa, by Charles Schaefer, Jr. President of the Trustees, Sunday, August 12, 1962, at the 10:45 A.M. Service, as part of the Bicentennial Year Program. (Broadcast Sponsored by the Board of Trustees.)

Schoeneck is a Moravian Church in name, and it will be interesting to see whether it is a Moravian Church in practice. Some "Moravian" churches unfortunately do not follow Moravian practices; others do. There is a tendency for those churches not right in the center of things to stray from the Moravian usage. Has this happened with Schoeneck?

A careful analysis of the records will show that ordinarily Schoeneck has observed typically Moravian practices, and has tried to be a Moravian church.

Certainly there were changes through the years, and there were periods when the Schoeneck church appeared more like a Moravian church than it did at other times. For example, in 1881, the minister writes that he wore the surplice, which is the white gown used by Moravian ministers at communion, baptism, and weddings, and goes on to say that no surplice had been worn for 20 years. He also tried to re-introduce the clasping of hands, that is the right hand of fellowship, at communion. On another occasion (1838) the minister wrote that after 10 years' omission, the use of the liturgy book was resumed. These statements would indicate that there always is a tendency for people to forget or neglect the customary way of doing things. Nevertheless, the items to be mentioned here are all typically Moravian, and they were part of the congregational life of Schoeneck, at least some times and in many cases, always.

The Lovefeast. This service, while not essential, differentiates Moravians from other denominations. In 1880 we read that 300 people were present at the lovefeast on Christmas eve. At this lovefeast "Morning Star" was sung, and the children received candles. There also were 300 present at the lovefeast on New Year's Eve that same year. The celebration of the lovefeast especially at these times is quite typical of Moravian churches. Lovefeasts were held at Schoeneck at other times as well.

Easter services. Nothing is as typical of Moravian churches as the services around Easter. Here we find that at first Schoeneck cooperated with Nazareth for certain services. In 1786 "Br. Zeisberger had charge of communion on Maundy Thursday, with Br. Coortsen in charge of the Easter Service at the cemetery at eight o'clock at which time the Christiansbrunn trombonists played. The other services were attended in Nazareth." At times, the weather prevented conducting the early service on the cemetery, for example in 1856, when "it started snowing Good Friday and was very cold, there was no early service." Also in 1857, when "The Early Service Litany was read at the opening of the regular morning service." What is significant in this case, is not that the early service was omitted — possibly due to snow — but that the Easter Morning Service, a distinctive Moravian liturgical service, was used.

Ministers' Covenanting Day. This is a service for ministers, and in earlier years also their wives, held on September 16th. Although it does not affect the membership of the congregation, it is interesting to note that the Schoeneck pastor will write "On September 16th (1821) the pastors and their wives partook of the Cup of Covenant in Nazareth."

Seating in the church. A description of the church about 1860 mentions that the brethren's and benches were on the south side, and those of the sisters on the north side of the church. A careful reading of this suggests that here is a result of the so called "Choir-system" of the Moravians in which every member belonged to a certain choir or "**Chor**". These choirs sat separately during the worship service. Other churches also have had the separation of the sexes in their worship services, but with the Moravians this practice stems from the choirs.

August 13th and November 16th are special memorial days in the Moravian Church. On the Sunday nearest each of these days, there is supposed to be a communion service. In 1874 it is stated that 4 communions were held at Schoeneck: January 25, Maundy Thursday, August 9, and October 4. The August 9th service would be close to August 13, but there would be no communion near November 16 in this particular year. In other years mention is made of a Communion near November 15. Thus it is quite clear that Schoeneck also observed the Moravian festival days, although possibly not as stringently as other places did.

More unusual festivals. In the Moravian Church all the choirs had their own festivals on a specific day of the year. In places like Lititz and Salem and to a lesser extent, Bethlehem and Nazareth, these festivals are still observed. In the Schoeneck records we find such things as this: "On August 17th our 33 little girls celebrated their festival." We even find footwashing being practiced at Schoeneck. This custom has gone out of use in the Moravian Church but was once practiced widely. It commemorated Jesus' washing the feet of the disciples, and therefore it was often held on Maundy Thursday, thus: "On April 19th (1810), Maundy Thursday, footwashing preceded Holy Communion. There were 7 services on Good Friday, and after the Great Sabbath Lovefeast, the brethren cleaned the cemetery. Weather was beautiful for the Easter Early Service at 5 a.m."

Music. While it is too detailed a subject to discuss at length, the music used at Schoeneck appears to have certain Moravian characteristics, such as in the use of trombones. On March 6th (1831) the pastor celebrated his 50th birthday, and was awakened by trombone chorales."

And so we could go on, showing that Schoeneck has not been fanatical in its observances of Moravian customs and practices, but also no one reading the records can fail to see that the characteristics of a Moravian Church stand out everywhere. Certain customs and practices alone do not make a church Moravian, however. The greater gift is to have the Moravian spirit of a sense of fellowship with all who stand in a sincere connection with Jesus Christ, and the diaries of Schoeneck suggest that this also has been the case with the people of Schoeneck.



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"SCHOENECK'S DEPENDENCE UPON OTHERS" a paper prepared by the Rev. Vernon Nelson, and presented at Schoeneck Church and over Radio Station WEST of Easton, Pa. by Mrs. John McAllister, President of the Y.M.P. Class, Sunday, August 19, 1962, at the 10:45 A.M. Service, as a part of the Bi-centennial Year program. (Broadcast Sponsored by the Y.M.P. Class)

There is a stage early in the life of a congregation when it could not exist without the help of others. Some congregations never leave this stage, and always require help, while others proceed to a second stage, that of helping others to exist. But no true congregation, no matter how self-sufficient it gets, ever loses the sense of being inter-dependent upon other congregations. As soon as a congregation begins to think it can do everything by itself, it is asking for trouble. The theme under discussion now is Schoeneck's dependence upon other congregations.

The congregation that has assisted Schoeneck the most is without question Nazareth. In the early years there was an organic connection, Schoeneck being a filial of Nazareth. Later, when Schoeneck became completely independent of Nazareth, the connection with Nazareth still remained. In 1796 we read "it was announced that Schoeneck would now be a separate congregation with its own services, but continue under the advice of the Nazareth Elders' Conference." Especially in the earlier years the Schoeneck people attended certain services at Nazareth. Often the Nazareth trombonists and the Nazareth choir would offer musical renditions on important occasions in Schoeneck, such as on Schoeneck's anniversary. Schoeneck had close connections with Nazareth Hall, and its people attended special programs at the Hall welcoming students when they attended Schoeneck church services. Some of the Schoeneck members entered the Sisters' House at Nazareth. It is only natural that the town will offer certain opportunities the country does not have, and vice versa, and through the years the people of Schoeneck have benefitted greatly from their proximity to Nazareth.

Schoeneck also received financial aid from Nazareth and from other Moravian congregations. In 1825 there is this entry in respect to a new parsonage: "On October 31st, the pastor rode to Philadelphia with W. Henry, to ask for contributions towards a new parsonage, our members here being poor but willing to give what they can. They obtained \$50 in Philadelphia, and left November 5th by steamer for New York, there getting \$41.00. Later, more was collected in Bethlehem and Nazareth." Also at times, the pastor of Schoeneck received part of his salary from the Sustentation Fund of the Moravian Church, because the congregation was not able to support him completely.

As the years passed the Schoeneck musicians and choir members apparently became more experienced, and the financial position of the church more sound, because this dependence upon others dwindles, and Schoeneck in turn is able to give aid to others. Nevertheless, often cooperation is the best way to get things done, even if it is not necessary, strictly speaking, and thus we find Schoeneck musicians participating in large celebrations in Bethlehem, but also Bethlehem musicians assisting at Schoeneck. In 1882, we read of a joint mission festival at Black Rock. "On August 30th in the afternoon the Nazareth and Schoeneck Moravian joint mission festival was held at Black Rock. A platform was decorated for leaders with pictures of the 2 first missionaries, Dober and Nitschmann, also Zeisberger among the Indians hung in front of it. The Nazareth choir with orchestra under Br. H.

Jacobson's direction. Chief speakers, Br. Harke of Lancaster and Br. Grunert of Bethlehem . . . About 900 people present. Offering for missions was over \$100, but expenses to be deducted. Weather was fine."

In the 20th Century, the automobile has made it possible for people to have great mobility. It has made it possible for the church to have a youth camp, adult conferences, a nation-wide youth convocation, numerous pulpit exchanges — in short, all sorts of combined activity. Schoeneck has certainly participated in these programs. Yet for all of us the possibility of cooperation has become so easy, that it is often neglected, and one wonders whether we have the same real sense of unity that the Moravian churches had a century or two ago, when each was so dependent upon the other.

"SCHOENECK'S COOPERATION WITH OTHER CONGREGATIONS" a paper prepared by the Rev. Vernon Nelson, and presented at Schoeneck Church and over Radio Station WEST of Easton, Pa. by Mrs. Howard Culver, President of the Golden Rule Circle, Sunday, August 26, 1962, at the 10:45 A.M. Service as part of the Bicentennial Year Program. (Broadcast Sponsored by the Golden Rule Circle)

Emil Brunner, modern theologian, once wrote "Without mission there is no church." If a church sticks entirely to itself, can it really be called a church? Does it have any mission? Our theme this morning concerns Schoeneck's influence extending beyond itself to others.

In the earliest years there were people moving into this area who were not being reached by any church. Moravian ministers often went on journeys to these people, and consequently we read of ministers from Schoeneck visiting in the area of the Blue Mountains. In 1830, "On October 10th, a party of immigrants marched through Schoeneck, looking for homes and work, and were given much help by Schoeneck people. One brother drove to Brunswick to pick up their wives and children." In 1834 it is mentioned that "The pastor . . . traveled to Beechwoods in the Newfoundland area . . . At the evening service the 60 present included 7 Separatists and 9 Catholics, and several children were baptized." In 1873, the pastor traveled 7 miles to Smith's Gap in the Blue Mountains, to give communion to a sick 70 year old man, and made another sick call. The old man's funeral was held July 9th, at Moorestown.

Of course, the time comes when one's contributions can go further than he himself can go. There is much mention of collections being taken at Schoeneck for starting or helping other Moravian churches. The usual custom in those days was for the pastor of a new church to "collect" throughout the churches, going from church to church, and using the money received for establishing the new church, wherever it might be. By taking some typical examples it can be seen how far Schoeneck's influence spread in this way.

1851 — "Br. Fett of Green Bay collected for his church." This is Green Bay, Wis., the oldest town in Wisconsin. The first church at Green Bay, or-

ganized in the year 1851, opened the way for the extension of the Moravian Church among Scandinavians and Germans in Northeastern Wisconsin, with such places as Green Bay, Sturgeon Bay, and Ephraim.

1858 — "Br. Kaltenbrunn is here to collect for the church in Wisconsin." Kaltenbrunn was the father of the Moravian Church in Southern Wisconsin, which today includes such places as Ebenezer, Watertown, Lake Mills, and Madison.

1869 — "Br. P. H. Gapp of Riverside, New Jersey, collected \$37.00 during the week." Riverside is near Philadelphia.

1871 — "Br. Neu arrived from Elizabeth to collect for his church, preached May 14th, and in 3 days . . . collected \$50.00." This Elizabeth, New Jersey, church is no longer in existence, the members having merged with Battlehill in Union, N. J.

1880 — On November 28th, \$8.00 was collected for the New Westfield congregation, whose church burnt down November 15th. This was an Indian Mission in Kansas.

1885 — "In the week following May 31st, Br. Lewis Clewell, Emmaus, collected \$25 for Coopersburg."

These collections were over and above regular offerings for home missions, foreign missions, the theological seminary, etc.

Giving money is not the only way to express interest beyond one's own realm. Being informed also is important. In 1924 "Br. Peter LeJene of Surinam gave a fine illustrated lecture of his work among the East Indians there." In Surinam, or Dutch Guiana, there are more Moravians than any other denomination. In 1925, "Br. Frederick Stocker spoke on behalf of his New York III colored church." Then in 1928, theological student Allen Hedgecock, who is now the Pastor of Schoeneck Moravian Church spoke on Moravian missionary work in the Virginia mountains. In 1937, a quite unusual program took place. "The members of the Wednesday afternoon quilting group and the Sisters Union were treated to a typical Alaskan Supper, including reindeer meat and other Alaskan delicacies recently sent to Rev. Gross by his cousin, the Rev. Charles Michael of the Quinhagak Station in Alaska."

It is quite evident that the life of the Schoeneck congregation would have been much less colorful without these outside contacts, which a church must have if it is to be worthy of the name.



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1911—or earlier, Front Porch erected at Parsonage, during pastorate of Rev. George Bahnsen

1915—Berean Class and Ushers Association organized during pastorate of Rev. Wm. Strohmeier.

1916—First S. S. Rooms added to Church, started by gift from Sisters Union, Rev. Strohmeier Ephraim and James Kostenbader, on the committee.

1926—Stone work on Parsonage repointed and repaired, funds by Mr. & Mrs. Fred Heckman and Sisters Union.

1926—First Bathroom installed in the Parsonage under auspices of the Sisters Union.

1933—Acres of land in rear of church exchanged for more frontage of the highway.

1935—Heating System installed in Church — project led by Miss Annie Beitel & Trustees.

1937—Outside Bulletin Board for Church given by the Christian Endeavor Society.

1939—Pulpit Light given by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Beitel, still used in the Pastor's Study.

1939—Central Heating system installed in Parsonage, a Sisters Union Project.

1940—Time-Clock for Bulletin Board given by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Clewell, Sr.

1940—New Lighting System installed in the Church, during General Renovation program.



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Front Row — John May, Leonard Messinger, Debbie McAllister, Brent Koehler, Susan Kostenbader, Sally Koehler, Richard Clewell, Gayle Fehr, Nancy Butz, Jeffery Stocker, Cheryl Fehr, Lorin Miller.

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Third Row — Mrs. Millard Rice, Mrs. Frederick Koehler, Mrs. Stasia Saeger, Mrs. Charles Schaefer, Sr., Mrs. Sterling Fehr, Pearl Walters, Carol Siegel, Linda Berger.

Fourth Row — Charles Schaefer, Sr., Audrey Kostenbader, Elaine Butz, John Hedgecock, Miriam Schaefer, Daniel Rohn — Organist, Darlene Cressman, Mrs. Allen Hedgecock, Mrs. Earl Berger, Mrs. Henry May.

Fifth Row — Charles Schaefer Jr., Glenn Miller, John Clewell, Charles Schoeneberger, John Schaefer, Sterling Fehr.

Sixth Row — Dennis McAllister, Barry Clewell, Karl Butz, Melvin Messinger, Lois Rice, Ruth Beitel, Janet Clewell, John Miller.

Seventh Row — Mildred Miller, Millard Rice, Earl Berger, Mrs. Vernon Messinger, Mrs. Terry Jones, Mrs. Harry Clewell, Sr., Vernon Messinger.



SCHOENECK'S CHOIR OF BRASS AND REEDS (PALM SUNDAY — 1961)

Front Row — Raymond Schweitzer, Larry Hahn, Janet Clewell, Lois Rice, Mildred Miller, Richard Kostenbader, Howard Kostenbader, Pastor Hedgecock, Vernon Messinger, Mrs. Vernon Messinger, Stanley Bender, John Miller, Timothy Messinger, John Clewell, Lee Schweitzer, Millard Rice (Leader).

Second Row — Henry Kostenbader, John Hedgecock, Stanley Bender, Jr., Melvin Messinger, Jacquelyn Bender, Ruth Beitel, Anna Bender, Charles Schaefer Jr., Mrs. Warren Fehr, Kenneth Warner, David Fehr, Linda Berger, Dennis Fehr, Karl Butz, Barry Clewell, Glen Miller, Thomas Schaefer, Jonh Morris, Lorin Miller.

- 1940—New Carpet for the Church given by the Sisters union.
- 1940—New Upholstering given for Pulpit Furniture and Altar Cloths given by Golden Rule Circle of Kings Daughters, the latter items made by Mrs. Robert Hunt, Sr., in Memory of Mr. and Mrs. Eugent Kostenbader and Mr. and Mrs. Tilghman Clewell.
- 1940—Pipe Organ repaired and renovated.
- 1940—Pulpit Flower Pedestals made from old Pulpit Light stands, by Walter Clewell and Howard Culver.
- 1940—Baptismal Font given by Beginner Dept. of S.S. Mrs. Olive Bush, Supt.
- 1940—Metal Clothes Rack made by Robert Hunt Sr. and given to Primary Department of S.S.
- 1940—Ship Linoleum in Church vestibule and balcony and New Window Shades given by the Ushers Association.
- 1941—Old Instrument Display Case (now on loan to Whitfield House) given by Brooks Siegfried.
- 1941—Two White Vases and Two Large Green ones for pulpit use, given by Rev. and Mrs. James Gross.
- 1941—Trees for church Grove given by Mrs. Thomas Stites and Mrs. Fred Heckman. Planting done by Rev. Gross, Harry Clewell, Sr., Walter Clewell, William Saeger, Eugene Kostenbader, Frank Yob, Clinton Rice, and others.
- 1941—Church Clock given in Memory of Mary Ann Sproule by her husband, William H. Milchsack.
- 1941—Deagen Chimes purchased by Board of Trustees with money willed to the Church by the Nolf Family.
- 1943—Christian Flag given in Memory of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Trein, by Miss Clarissa Keller of Newport News, Va.
- 1943—American Flag given by Mr. and Mrs. William Messinger, Jr.
- 1947—Wooden Chancel Arch given in Memory of her husband by Mrs. Charles Bowers.
- 1948—Pewter Offering Plates given by the Ushers Association.
- 1950—Metal Filing cabinet for Choir Music given by Henry Kostenbader.
- 1950—Nov. 25th. Hurricane carried away much of the south side of Church Roof.
- 1951—Church Redecorated and Pipe Organ electrified.
- 1952—Dining Tables given by various organizations and individuals, led by John Miller
- 1953—Gas Range for Church kitchen given by Golden Rule Circle of Kings Daughters.
- 1955—First Nursery room developed under supervision of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Berger & Others.
- 1955—Nursery Furniture given by Harvey Snow — Nursery Tables made and given by Roy Bender
- 1955—Dollies for Dining Tables made and given by Robert Hunt, Sr.
- 1955—Junior Choir Robe Cabinet gift of the Children, built by Walter Clewell, under supervision of Janet Clewell, Choir Director.
- 1955—Young Married Peoples S. S. Class organized.
- 1956—Revised Standard Version Bible for Pulpit use given by Mr. and Mrs. William Beitel

- 1956—A Tracy Sink and Cabinets given by the Golden Rule Circle for church kitchen use.
- 1956—Refrigerator for church kitchen use, given by Lester Beil
- 1956—Drip Coffee Urn for church kitchen use, given by Golden Rule Circle of Kings Daughter's
- 1956—Metal Serving Cart for church by Young Ladies S.S. Class, Mrs. Robert Hunt, Sr. Teacher.
- 1956—Bible Lands Map given by Att. Raymond DeRaymond and framed by Kenneth Unger for use in Y.M.P. Class Room.
- 1956—Special Light for Church Organ given. Installation by Robert Hunt, Sr.
- 1957—Large Photo of Congregation at 500th Anniversary Service, given by Mr. & Mrs. Eastridge
- 1957—Two Wooden Coat Racks made and given to Church by Walter Clewell and Howard Culver.
- 1957—Metal Folding Table for Nursery Room given by Miss Helen Koehler.
- 1957—Electric Water Cooler for the S.S. Hall, sponsored by Youth Fellowships
- 1957—Table and Guest Book for Church given by Mrs. Ella Loux in Memory of her husband Edward Loux.
- 1957—An Acre of land for Church Lot, 125 Foot Rd. frontage and 400 feet deep on south of present property given by Schoeneck Farms, Inc. sponsored by Allen Pritchard, Manager.
- 1957—Picture of Christ and Little Children for the Nursery in Memory of Brian Fehr, Mrs. Earl Berger, Superintendent
- 1957—Stainless Steel kitchen sink for Diener Kitchen, given by the Board of Dieners, the Sisters Union, The Berean Class and Golden Rule Circle
- 1957—Church "Welcome" Signs for outdoor use given and set in place by Ushers Association
- 1957—Robes for the Junior Choir, purchased by Money they had raised, Robes made by Women of the Church
- 1958—Pavilion in Church Grove given by Sunday School — Men donated all labor to erect it.
- 1958—July 6th — Ground-Breaking for the New Christian Education Wing
- 1958—Gas Range for Church kitchen use, given by Mr. and Mrs. James Jones
- 1959—Picture of John Hus before the Council given by Rev. Radim Kalfus, of Czechoslovakia
- 1959—February — Work begun on New Education Wing and General Modernization of Facilities
- 1959—Colored Art Sketch of Church and New S.S. Buildings given by Fred Bees, Bethlehem Artist
- 1959—August, First use of New S.S. Hall by Clewell Reunion for Annual Luncheon and meeting
- 1959—August, Cornerstone laying for Education Wing by Bishop Hamilton, Clarence Clewell, Pastor and others taking part. Dr. Clewell prepared Special document for the day and Cornerstone
- 1959—Rubber Inserts for Communion Cup holder given and installed by Howard Culver
- 1959—Indoor Bulletin Board given by the Ushers Association
- 1959—Refrigerator for church kitchen use given by Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Butz

- 1959—Parsonage Bathroom modernized by Trustees, Frederick Koehler in charge of the project.
- 1960—New Rocking Chair given by the Nursery Department, for use in the department
- 1960—Head of Christ lighted Picture for S.S. Hall, given by the Nursery Department
- 1960—Folding metal chairs for the Choir loft given by the Golden Rule Circle
- 1960—A hundred other Folding Metal chairs for S.S. Use, given by Individuals and Organizations
- 1960—Electric Clock for S. S. Hall given by Mrs. Louise Hedgecock in Memory of Mr. and Mrs. Norma Hallowell. Several other clocks given by classes and departments.
- 1960—Stained Glass Window "Christ and Children" given for front of Church by Clewell Reunion in Memory of Louisa Clewell.
- 1960—New Lights for front Church steps given by Katy and Emma Schmuele in Memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Schmuele
- 1960—New Pedal "Stop" (Lieblich Gedekt), for Church Organ, given by Organist, Daniel Rohn
- 1960—Renovation of the Sanctuary, New Ceiling, redecoration of the Interior, repointing of outside walls, water-proofing, and painting of all outside woodwork
- 1960—Kitchen Cabinets for Permanent Church Kitchen given by Women of the Church
- 1960—Two Serving Carts for kitchen use, given by Golden Rule Circle
- 1960—Metal Deep Well Sink for Church kitchen by Young Ladies Class, Mrs. Robert Hunt, Teacher
- 1960—Stainless Steel flat ware and pots for church kitchen by the same class and teacher
- 1960—Concrete Steps, for the Graveyard, given by John Savitz, in Memory of his wife, Mary
- 1960—Stainless Steel cook pots for church kitchen use, given by Golden Rule Circle
- 1960—Large Percolator Coffee Urn for church kitchen use, given by Mrs. Walter Clewell and daughter, Mrs. Howard Culver
- 1960—Cherub Choir Robes used for first time April 3rd, given by the Trustees
- 1961—Two Keepsake Plates of old Church Buildings, sponsored for Bicentennial Year, by the Y.M.P. Class.
- 1961—Extra Electrical wiring for church kitchen, given by the Golden Rule Circle
- 1961—Electric Lighted Crosses in Church Belfry, made by Charles Schaefer, Jr. Wired by Gregory Unger, and installed for Passion Week Services, by Gene Seyfried and Spencer Eastridge.
- 1961—Matching Picture Frame for Schoeneck Pastors made and given by Howard Culver, up to date arrangement of all Pastors for Bicentennial Year, by Mr. and Mrs. John Miller
- 1961—Stone Outdoor Fireplaces erected in the Grove by Schoeneck Boy Scouts, in preparation for Bicentennial Year
- 1961—Brass Offering Plates (4) given by the 1930 Confirmation Class and Others, in Memory of former Pastor, the Rev. Robert Brenecke

- 1961—Brass Flower Vases for Church Use given by the Nursery Department, Mrs. Robert Snyder, Supt. in Memory of Pastor Brenecke
- 1961—Moravian Unity Flag and base etc., given by the Schoeneck Boy and Girl Scouts in preparation for the Bicentennial Year.
- 1961—Basement Doors to Parsonage made and given and installed by Walter Clewell and Howard Culver.
- 1961—Parsonage Dining Room and Living Room renovated and repairs made to the outside of the Parsonage and to the basement, by the Trustees, Fred Koehler, in charge of Carpenter work and Gene Werkheiser, in charge of complete new wiring system for the building
- 1962—Stained Glass Window for front of the Church "Christ and Nicodemus" given by Clewell Reunion in Memory of Franz and Geogre Clewell — dedication held Sunday, August 26, 1962 at 10:45 A.M. Service. Night Lighting of the Windows, also given by the Reunion.
- 1962—Stained Glass over the Front Entrance to Church and lighting, as well as New Light Above the Front Entrance to Church, given by Katy and Emma Schmuele, in Memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Schmuele.
- 1962—New 50-Star American Flag given by the Sisters Union for the Bicentennial Sunday.
- 1962—200 New Moravian Lovefeast Cups given by the Board of Dieners in time to be used for the Bicentennial Lovefeast Sunday, October 7th at 3:30 P.M.
- 1962—Memory Book for the recording of all Gifts and Memorials to the Church, given by Mrs. Helen Siegfried.
- 1962—2 and 7 tenths Acres of New Land for the Church Plot acquired June 3rd from Schoeneck farms at a cost of \$10,000.00. Schoeneck Farms then gave 5,000.00 of this amount to the Church as a Memorial to their late Manager, Allen Pritchard. At the same time the Church paid \$1,000.00 on account, leaving a balance of \$4,000 to be paid without Interest, during the next 5 years.
- 1962—Refrigerator for use in the Diener Kitchen given by Mr. and Mrs. John Miller.
- 1962—50 New Communion Cup Racks for church pews made by Charles Schaefer, Jr. and Son, Brian and given to church for Bicentennial Services. Same installed by Sexton Clifford Butz.
- 1962—14 white Robes for Confirmation use were made during the year by women of the Church. Members of the class donated and so did a number of organizations toward the cost of materials. They are property of the congregation.
- 1962—Successful Efforts were made by men and boys of the Church and especially by the Sexton, Clifford Butz and Family to improve the appearance of the Graveyard and Cemetery.
- 1962—A Large Cake for the Bicentennial Dinner on October 3rd was given by Dr. Clarence E. Clewell.
- 1962—Five Copies of his New Book "Two Hundred Year History of Schoeneck" were produced by Dr. Clarence E. Clewell. The First Copy, Beautifully Bound, was presented at the Bicentennial Dinner, October 3, 1962 by the Author.
- 1962—October 11th, Dr. C. E. Clewell speaks to the Moravian Historical Society at Nazareth on the Two Hundred Year History of Schoeneck.



Schoeneck Church and Parsonage and Sunday School Building — 1961.



Interior, front view of church — 1961



Interior view of back of church — 1961



JOINT BOARD — 1961

Front Row — Charles Stocker, Randolph McGrath, Luther Fehr, Pastor Hedgecock, Spencer Eastridge, Charles Schaefer, Jr., Gene Seyfried.

Second Row — Millard Rice, John Miller, Harry Clewell, Sr., (Not on picture: William Beitel, John McAllister).



CHURCH DIENERS

(They gave new Lovefeast cups)

Front Row — Mrs. Floyd Clewell, Mrs. Harry Clewell, Sr., Mrs. Kenneth Butz, Sr., Mrs. Harold Schaefer, Mrs. Clifford Butz, Mrs. Willard Butz, Mrs. Walter Clewell.

Second Row — Floyd Clewell, Harry Clewell, Sr., Kenneth Butz, Sr., Harold Schaefer, Clifford Butz, Willard Butz, Walter Clewell.



**BEGINNER AND PRIMARY DEPARTMENTS
PROMOTION DAY — 1959**

Front Row — Nancy Butz, Lorin Miller, Pamela Smith, Cathy Smith, Randy McGrath, Harry Siegel, Holly Sloyer, Cheryl Fehr, Bruce Williamson.

Second Row — Susan Detweiler, Gayle Fehr, Kevin Buskirk, Richard Clewell, Brian Schaefer, Mary Ann Overholt, Michelle Sloyer, Brent Koehler, William Hunt.

Third Row — Jane Breyfogle, Diane Berger, Larry Kline, Thomas Schaefer, Alan Peters, Glenn Miller, Paul Stocker, Bruce Siegel.

Fourth Row — Linda Kostenbader, Kathleen Haupt.



SENIOR YOUTH FELLOWSHIP — 1960

Front Row — Veronica Lilly, Melvin Messinger, Karl Butz, Barry Clewell, John Schaefer, Miriam Schaefer.

Second Row — Henry May, (Student Leader), Dennis Bartholomew, Charles Schoeneberger, Kenneth Butz, Jr., Tom Bartholomew, John Clewell.



COMBINED CHOIRS — CHRISTMAS CONCERT, DECEMBER 3, 1961

Front Row — Melody Stocker, Harold Rundle, Lee Clewell, Brenda Butz, Harry Siegel, Jeffery Stocker, Cheryl Fehr, Leonard Messinger, Susan Kostenbader, Barry Bender, Lorin Miller, Deborah Sloyer, Nancy Butz, Holly Sloyer, Chris Fehr.

Second Row — Debbie McAllister, Sally Koehler, Richard Haupt, Larry Morris, Diane Berger, Jacqueline Bender, Timothy Messinger, Brent Koehler, Wayne Clewell, Richard Clewell, Michelle Sloyer, Gayle Fehr.

Third Row — Janet Clewell, Bruce Siegel, Richard Rundle, Karen Warner, Kathleen Haupt, Paul Stocker, Thomas Schaefer, Kim Kostenbader, Danforth Bush, David Butz, Glenn Miller, Miriam Schaefer, Christine Sloyer.

Fourth Row — Mrs. Elwood Sloyer, Kelly Sloyer, Joan Thomas, Mrs. Allen Hedgecock, Linda Kostenbader, Mrs. Stasia Saeger, Mrs. Frederick Koehler, Mrs. Millard Rice, Marlene Cressman, Millard Rice, Charles Schaefer, Sr., Mrs. Charles Schaefer, Sr., Harold Schaefer, Elaine Butz.

Fifth Row — Lois Rice, Audrey Kostenbader, Darlene Cressman, Carol Siegel, Bruce Fehr, Anna Bender, Daniel Rohn — Organist, Pearl Walters, Luther R. Fehr, Linda Berger, Sterling Fehr, Mrs. Sterling Fehr, Charles Schaefer, Jr.

Sixth Row — Barry Clewell, Karl Butz, Dennis McAllister, Charles Schoneberger, John Clewell, John Schaefer, Melvin Messinger, James Sloyer.



CRADLE ROLL MEMBERS AND MOTHERS — 1962

FRONT ROW — Mrs. Gene Seyfried and daughter Cora, Miss Carol Siegel holding Holly Hunter, Mrs. Ervin Jones and daughter Cynthia, Mrs. Maynard Wambold and daughter Linda, Mrs. Donald Marsh and twin sons Jeffrey and Allen.

SECOND ROW — Mrs. Harry Holt and daughter Joanne, Mrs. Harry Clewell, Sr. (Supt.) holding Justine Hunter, Mrs. John Miller and son Scott, Mrs. Randolph McGrath and daughter Brenda. Mrs. John McAllister and son Dean.

NOT ON PICTURE — Mrs. Kenneth Warner and daughter Donna, Mrs. David Hartz and daughter Le-Ann, Mrs. Richard Rundle and son Gary, Mrs. Fred Stocker and son Frederick, Jr., Mrs. Richard Kostenbader, daughter Karen and son David, Mrs. William Correll and daughter Catherine, Mrs. Glenn Hertzog and daughter Donna and son Glenn Jr., Mrs. Norman Hedgecock and daughter Susan, Mrs. David Werkheiser and daughter Wendy, Mrs. Paul Knecht, son Robert and daughter Judy, Mrs. Raymond Grube, son Wayne and daughter Catherine, Mrs. Donald Heyer and daughter Sue Ann, Mrs. Carl Beil, Jr., and daughter Carla, Mrs. Henry Yeska and daughters Debra and Constance, Mrs. Dale Shollenberger and sons Kim and Ricky, Mrs. Edwin Werkheiser and daughter Donna, Mrs. Richard Walters, son Garry and daughter Michelle, Mrs. Larry Hahn and daughter Lori Ann, Mrs. James Clewell and son Keith, Mrs. Warren Fogel and son Perry, Mrs. Raymond Williamson and daughter Deborah Ann, Mrs. Donald Dotter and daughter Robin.



THE NURSERY DEPARTMENT

Front Row — Duane McGrath, Annette Clewell, Brenda McGrath, Sheila McGrath, David Koehler, Craig Fehr, Perry Fogel

Second Row — Mrs. Larry Hahn, Lori Ann Hahn, Mrs. Willard Butz, Bonnie Lee Campbell, Tod Kostenbader, Audrey Kostenbader, Scott McAllister, Mrs. Charles Stocker — Superintendent.



THE BEGINNERS DEPARTMENT

Melody Stocker, Anna Maye Hahn, Ronald Smith, Chris Fehr, Dean Unger, Brenda Butz, Kelly Sloyer, Sharon Peters, Harold Rundle, Lee Clewell, Lisa Buskirk, Patricia Overholt.

Superintendent — Mrs. Robert Peters.



THE PRIMARY DEPARTMENT

Front Row — Deborah Sloyer, Dale Unger, Barry Bender, Jeffry Stocker, Cheryl Fehr, Bruce Williamson, Brent Koehler.

Second Row — Holly Sloyer, Nancy Butz, Cora Fogel Leonard Messinger, Lorin Miller, Harry Siegel, William Hunt.

Third Row — Michelle Sloyer, Gale Fehr, Dennis Smith, Dale Snyder, Susan Detweiler, Randy McGrath.

Fourth Row — Susan Kostenbader, Richard Clewell, Mary Ann Overholt, Wayne Clewell, Brian Schaefer.

Superintendent — Mrs. Harold Schaefer; Teachers — Catherine Hunt, Miriam Schaefer.



THE JUNIOR - INTERMEDIATE DEPARTMENT

Front Row — Richard Fogel, Larry Morris, Kevin Buskirk, Timothy Messenger, Dennis Unger, Richard Haupt, Deborah McAllister, Sally Koehler, Richard Rundle, David Butz.

Second Row — Karen Warner, Debra Schweitzer, Diane Berger, Jacqueline Bender, Jane Breyfogle (a Visitor), Alan Peters, Paul Stocker, Dennis Trach, Robert Snyder, Bruce Fehr.

Third Row — Danforth Bush, Glenn Miller, Linda Kostenbader, Linda Lieberman, Kathleen Haupt, Bruce Siegel, Thomas Schaefer, Bruce Schweitzer, Luther R. Fehr.

Fourth Row — Linda Berger, Darlene Cressman, Carol Siegel, Patricia Breyfogle, Sandra Peters, Judith Peters, Betty Trach.

Fifth Row — Christine Sloyer, Mrs. Warren Siegel, Lois Rice, Karl Butz, Barry Clewell, David Fuls, Stanley Bender, Jr.

Sixth Row — James Sloyer, John Schaefer, Warren R. Fogel, Terry Hunt, Howard Kostenbader, Carl Heyer.

Seventh Row — Pastor Hedgecock, Mrs. Allen Hedgecock, Joan Thomas, Mrs. Millard Rice; General Superintendent — Sterling Fehr; Superintendents — John Miller, Luther F. Fehr.



SENIOR AND ADULT DEPARTMENTS

Front Row — Melvin Messinger, John Morris, Dennis McAllister.

Second Row — Ruth Beitel, Anna Bender, Pearl Walters, Deanna Fuls, Charles Schoeneberger, John Clewell, Lee Schweitzer.

Third Row — Lorraine Schoeneberger, Elaine Butz, Mrs. Samuel Cressman, Mrs. Walter Bush, Mrs. Earl Shollenberger, Mrs. Paul McGrath, Mrs. Raymond Messinger, Mrs. Helen Schoeneberger, Vernon Messinger — Supt.

Fourth Row — Mrs. Vernon Messinger, Mrs. Earl Berger, Mrs. Robert Snyder, Raymond Schweitzer, Clifford Butz, Mrs. Clifford Butz, Mrs. Stasia Saeger, Mrs. Charles Schaefer, Sr., Mrs. Mary Messinger, Mrs. Flora Werner.

Fifth Row — Mrs. Raymond Williamson, Mrs. Clayton Hahn, Mrs. Larry Hahn, Mrs. Luther F. Fehr, Mrs. Randolph McGrath, Harold Schaefer, Frederick Koehler, Mrs. Frederick Koehler, Harry Clewell, Sr., Mrs. Emily Bickert, Mrs. Robert Hunt, Sr., Robert Hunt, Jr.

Sixth Row — Mrs. Albert Smith, Mrs. Elwood Sloyer, Mrs. Raymond Schweitzer, David Heyer, Sr., Mrs. Kenneth Butz, Sr., Kenneth Butz, Jr., Mrs. Dean Fuls, Mrs. Franklin Morris, Mrs. Arlington Frantz, Mrs. Charles Schaefer, Jr., Charles Schaefer, Jr.

Seventh Row — Millard Rice, Mrs. Millard Rice — General Supt., Charles Stocker, Mrs. Louis Overholt, Mrs. John McAllister, Mrs. Sterling Fehr, Forrest McGrath, Mrs. Harold Buskirk, Randolph McGrath, Mrs. Walter Haupt, Kenneth Butz, Jr., Mrs. Earl Walters, Charles Schaefer Sr., Mrs. Charles Schaefer, Sr., Mrs. Warren Fogel, Willard Butz, Mrs. Harry Clewell, Sr.



YOUNG MARRIED PEOPLE'S CLASS

Front Row — Mrs. Sterling Fehr, Mrs. Randolph McGrath, Mrs. Larry Hahn, Mrs. Ray Williamson, Mrs. Albert Smith, Mrs. Harold Buskirk.

Second Row — Mrs. Elwood Slawyer, Mrs. Clayton Hahn, Mrs. Luther Fehr, Mrs. Frederick Koehler, Frederick Koehler, Harold Schaefer.

Third Row — Mrs. Louis Overholt, Mrs. John McAllister, Mrs. Vernon Messinger, Mrs. Robert Snyder, Mrs. Earl Berger, Mrs. Raymond Schweitzer, Charles Stocker, Raymond Schweitzer.



BEREAN BIBLE CLASS

Front Row — Mrs. Samuel Cressman, Mrs. Earl Shollenberger, Mrs. Paul McGrath, Mrs. Raymond Messinger, Mrs. Howard Schoeneberger, Mrs. Charles Schaefer, Sr.

Second Row — Mrs. Walter Bush, Mrs. Charles Schaefer Sr., Clifford Butz, Mrs. Clifford Butz, Mrs. Stasia Saeger, Mrs. Hattie Rice, Mrs. Mary Messinger, Mrs. Flora Werner.

Third Row — Mrs. Franklin Morris, Mrs. Warren Fogel, Mrs. Earl Walters, Mrs. Jean Haupt, Harry Clewell, Sr., Mrs. Harry Clewell Sr., Mrs. Emily Bickert, Mrs. Robert Hunt, Robert Hunt.

Fourth Row — David Heyer, William Beitel, Mrs. Kenneth Butz, Kenneth Butz, Mrs. Dean Fuls, Mrs. Arlington Frantz, Mrs. Charles Schaefer, Jr., Charles Schaefer Jr., Willard Butz.

Clarence E. Clewell
227 Benjamin West Ave.
Swarthmore, Pennsylvania

September 16, 1961

The Rev. Allen S. Hedgecock, Pastor,
Schoeneck Moravian Church
Rural Post Office Route No. 2,
Nazareth,
Pennsylvania

Dear Brother Hedgecock:

Thank you ever so much for your letter of September 9th. It was a great pleasure to hear from you again, for I often think of you and of your splendid work at Schoeneck.

My first inclination has been to accept your kind invitation to prepare an historical paper on the work at Schoeneck during the past two centuries, for presentation at the meeting of the Historical Society's Luncheon to be held in Nazareth on October 11, 1962.

On second thought, it seems best to make my acceptance tentative in this one respect: I plan to go up to Boulton at any rate towards the end of next week (that is about September 28 or 29) for a short visit of 8 or 10 days, at which time I will arrange to come to see you. I merely want to be sure of my ability to gather the necessary historical facts, and feel sure we can settle the matter after we have had a brief talk together.

I trust this note will find you and your family quite well, and with it I send you my warmest personal regards.

Very sincerely,

Clarence E. Clewell.



PAVILION IN THE SCHOENECK CHURCH GROVE

Was erected in 1958 by men of the congregation in their spare time, their labors being donated. Funds for the cost of materials were raised by the Sunday School. The total cost about \$1500.00. The brethren Walter Haupt, Frederick Koehler and Arlington Frantz, guided the men in the effort. Women often furnished refreshments to the men after working hours. A Service of recognition for all who had helped with the project was held on Sunday, September 7, 1958, at 10:30 A.M. A dedication service was held on June 3, 1962, with Rev. James Gross, assisting.



New land for the church property acquired from Schoeneck Farms in 1962. (Looking west).

Presented by the Author at the Schoeneck Moravian Church and over Radio Station WEST of Easton, Pennsylvania, Sunday, August 26, 1962 at the 10:45 A.M. Service, as a part of the Bicentennial Year Program.

SOME REFLECTIONS OVER THE PAST 200 YEARS

By Clarence E. Clewell

May I extend my most cordial greetings to you, Brother Hedgecock, and to the members and friends of the Schoeneck Moravian Church, which includes, of course, those friends who may be listening in to the broadcast of this important Service. May I simply say that during the past year I have been making an extended study of the 200 years of the life of this Church, and that I plan to present a Paper on the History of the Schoeneck Moravian Church, to the Moravian Historical Society in Nazareth on October 11th. The plans also include my presentation of a complete copy of this Paper to Brother Hedgecock on October 3rd, for permanent placement in the Archives of this Church.

I have brought with me 5 loose-leaf binders, containing illustrations and insertions found in this comprehensive Paper, and at the Luncheon following this Service, you will have an opportunity to examine these pictures and records. I propose now to give you a very brief outline of some of the things which I found in my long study of the records of the Schoeneck Church.

First of all, I must mention the lives of the 36 different Pastors who have served this Congregation. Most of them served one time, but two of them, namely the Brethren Molther and Bahnson, served twice. Their work and overwhelming devotion, and we must include also the wives of these devoted servants of the Lord, would, in themselves, fill an entire volume. And, then, the vast multitude of Christian Workers, such as the Ushers, the Elders and Trustees, the Sunday-School Superintendents and Teachers, the Dieners, the Organists, the Choir Singers and the Trombone Players, constitute a great breadth of service and sacrifice, so broad that it would be exceedingly difficult for me to cover it adequately in a brief talk of this nature.

One of the first things which struck my attention, was the following statement found in the Handbook of the Schoeneck Moravian Congregation: "The history of the Moravian Congregation at Schoeneck (Pleasant Corner), located one mile north of Nazareth, in Northampton County, is interesting, not only because of the length covered, but also because of its connection with one family, namely, that of the Clewells." And it is that family which is here today to celebrate its Reunion, in the very Church which its forefathers were instrumental in founding.

I feel quite sure that you will pardon this personal comment, namely, that in my studies, I was very greatly impressed by a fact, which I had not fully realized before, that my grandfather on my father's side, John David Clewell, was a great grand-son of Francois and Louisa nee Frache Clavel, and that he was a grand-son of George Craft Clewell, and his wife Anna, namely the very George, who, with his brother Franz, was instrumental in founding this Church in 1762. This means, of course, that Mother Louisa was my own great, great, great grand-mother, and that George Craft Clewell was my own great, great grand-father.

Another item which greatly impressed me was that I found in the famous book entitled "The Red Hills," by the noted author and scholar, Dr. Cornelius Weygandt, the following reference to Schoeneck:

"It was a morning of mornings (when) I walked from Nazareth to Schoeneck. It was October, with the trees all red and gold, but it was balmy as May, with quail calling. No sooner was I well out of town than another voice than that of the bobwhites filtered through the radiant glow of leaves in morning light. It was the voice of the trombones from the belfry of the Church of Schoeneck."

"It was the first time that I had walked here with the voices of the trombones in the air. And as these voices died away, and you could distinguish again the whistling of the bobwhites, a whole train of voices out of old time was set free in memory, and I made aware, as we are so seldom, of the continuity of human life from those so far beginnings in the dawn of the world."

I cannot imagine any more eloquent tribute to any church or even any cathedral, anywhere throughout the world. It touches the heart, which vibrates with sympathetic inspiration for him who could look with such great depth of nearness and veneration upon that which many a person might carelessly view as commonplace or even unimportant.

When, on a given day, as a part of my studies, I wandered into this church edifice, all these thoughts began to force themselves into my mind. Finally, I reached the "Safe" in one of the rear rooms, and Brother Hedgecock, your pastor, unlocked the "Safe" for me, and there, before my very eyes, were the priceless records of this ancient Church. How wonderful it all seemed. In the long ago, this poor, twice widowed mother, with her two small sons, fatherless, as they were, landed in this country in 1737.

This was, of course, nearly 4 decades before the Signing of the Declaration of Independence, and, in time, Franz and George settled in their small homesteads not so very far from the present Village of Schoeneck. Then came the realization of the urgent need for a Minister and a Church, and thus the first small Church and Schoolhouse came into being in 1762. The Church Diaries trace the developments of the Church, year by year, and those experiences, tedious and heartbreaking, at times, gradually unfolded, under God's blessing, into the splendid Church, as we see it here today.

I cannot help from wondering just how Daniel Neubert, who was to be the first pastor, must have felt, when he arrived from Emmaus on August 12, 1762, and I wonder also just how his devoted wife, Hannah, must have felt when they moved into the single room, on the second floor of this humble little Church and Schoolhouse. There was no running water, and there were no electric lights. If sister Hannah wanted to bake a pie, she must go down stairs into the love-feast kitchen, and build a fire in that stove. However, the Dairies, as far as I could detect, contained not one word of complaint, in those early days, but these devoted souls seemed to glory in the services of their Lord, without regard to the limitations of outward conditions of life.

The Diaries of this Church are filled to overflowing with the devoted relationships between pastors and people. Is it any wonder, then, that the Schoeneck Church grew and became an outstanding landmark in the great history of our Moravian Church covering, as it does, more than 500 years of its existence?

I was struck, moreover with the many references to the weather in the Church Diaries, especially on Sundays, when it so greatly influenced the ability of the people to assemble for worship. The winters seemed to be much more severe in those early days, with very frequent and heavy snow-falls.

After my intensive application to this study for a fair portion of the entire past year, I can say without any hesitation, as I look back upon all the records reviewed, that the Schoeneck Church stands forth as clothed with an historical background of almost unparalleled significance. Having been, one might say, literally hewn out of the primeval forests, in the very foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountain Range; emerging from efforts of pioneering settlers, who had, as it were, cut out from the dense woodlands, enough space upon which to build a log hut, and to start a small truck patch; having been founded when financial resources were well-nigh negligible; and literally having to call from the fastnesses of the almost impenetrable forests, for someone to bring the gospel message. These factors, in themselves, form a picture of great struggle, and of heroic efforts to overcome what one might almost call insuperable difficulties. The whole story, in its beginnings, forms a most interesting picture of pioneering life in the early reaches of our American History.

I cannot refrain once again, from a passing added comment upon the lives and the work of these 36 pastors, who have served this congregation over the two centuries covered by my studies, and, of course, of their wives. The painstaking and self-sacrificing work of these saintly people, however, will never be fully told. It transcends our grasp, and fills our souls with wonder and amazement. Those who have gone before, are now surely aware, and those of us who are still to follow, can surely wait in hope to hear the inspired words, "And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours, and their works do follow them."

May God bless you, and I thank you.



THE SISTERS UNION CIRCLE

(They gave a new American Flag)

Front Row — Mrs. Charles Schaefer, Sr., Mrs. Clayton Kostenbader, Mrs. Raymond Messinger, Mrs. Jennie Trein, Mrs. Eva Heckman, Mrs. Flora Clewell, Katharine Schmuekle.

Second Row — Mrs. Earl Shollenberger, Mrs. Spencer Eastridge, Mrs. Stasia Saeger, Mrs. Flora Werner, Mrs. Walter Clewell, Mildred Eastridge - Pres., Mrs. Allen Hedgecock, Mrs. Hattie Rice, Emma Schmuekle, Mrs. Samuel Cressman.



THE GOLDEN RULE CIRCLE

(They sponsored the Bicentennial Dinner)

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THE USHERS ASSOCIATION

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Third Row — John Schaefer, Luther F. Fehr, David Fehr, Lee Schweitzer, Karl Butz, Barry Clewell.

BICENTENNIAL YEAR EVENTS AT SCHOENECK MORAVIAN CHURCH — 1962

JANUARY 1ST — Bishop Kenneth Hamilton was the Watch-Night Vigils speaker and opened our 200th Year, with a prayer, in the first minutes of the New Year.

JANUARY 21ST — Rev. Edward H. Swavelly, former supply Pastor at Schoeneck, was the speaker at the first Special Morning Service, on Sunday January 21st. His topic was "A Call To Remembrance" a vivid account of how our people lived and served in the yesteryears.

JANUARY 21ST — Following a Fellowship Luncheon more than 200 photos and snapshots of other years, some of them reaching a hundred years into the past, were shown in the Fellowship Hall on a large Balopticon Projector loaned by the Navy Department for the occasion. Pictures were loaned by members and friends for the occasion.

MEEK DAY was held on Sunday, February 18th, honoring in absentia, the Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Meek, the oldest living former Pastor of Schoeneck, now in retirement at Redlands, California. Through the cooperation of a Pastor, the Rev. Bernard Michel, we enjoyed "taped" greetings and messages from the Meeks and others, at this service. The date was Rev. Meek's 87th birthday.

HENKELMANN DAY — Sunday, March 25th brought back to us the Rev. and Mrs. Reinhold Henkelmann, a former Pastor, now serving at Coopersburg, Pennsylvania for a day to be remembered. They assisted in Sunday School and Bro. H. preached at the Morning worship and Mrs. H. sang with the choir combining their efforts in word and song to make an effective worship experience. Then at the Fellowship Luncheon which followed, brought greetings and remarks of their days and experiences while serving their first charge here.

A MYSTERY GUEST Preacher was the feature at the Morning Service on Sunday, April 29th, when the Rev. Reuben Gross of Edgeboro Church exchanged pulpits with the Schoeneck Pastor, for the day to try to boost the attendances and interest at both these Sunday Schools and Churches which were engaged in a Ten Week Contest. This friendly effort ended with Schoeneck considerably in the lead on all points.

BAHNSEN DAY was observed on Sunday May 6th, honoring the Rev. and Mrs. George F. Bahnsen, who served Schoeneck for a quarter of a century in two pastorates at the turn of this century. The Guest Preacher was the Rev. Roland Bahnsen, retired Presbyterian Minister and his sisters Elizabeth and Anastasia. Bro. Bahnsen brought the message at the morning worship on the theme "A Land Mark". They were guests at a Fellowship Luncheon following the services and there was a time of remembering.

GROSS DAY on Sunday, June 3rd was a real highlight of the year. The Rev. and Mrs. James Gross of York, Pa. were with us for the day. They participated in Sunday School and in the Morning worship, Bro. Gross bringing the message. The service ended in the Grove, where brief dedications were held for the Grove, planted during the Gross pastorate, the Pavilion erected in 1958, the Outdoor Fireplace erected by Scouts in 1961, and for the nearly four acres of new land for the church plot. Mr. Clarence Reichard of Schoeneck Farms was present to turn over deed to the latest land acquisition of nearly three acres, and to make a gift of \$5,000.00 toward its purchase in Memory of Allen Pritchard, former Manager of Schoeneck Farms. \$1,000.00



Stained glass window donated in 1960 by the Clewell Family Reunion in memory of Louise Frache Clewell.

A second window was given by the same group in 1962 in memory of Franz and George Clewell. Both windows were dedicated Sunday, August 26, 1962.

A stained glass design giving the Church's name and founding date was given by the Misses Katharine and Emma Schmuckle in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Schmuckle. This was dedicated also on the above date.



Rev. Roland Bahnsen being greeted by Pastor Hedgecock at a memorial service for his father, the Rev. George F. Bahnsen held on May the 6th of our Bicentennial year. Sisters Elizabeth and Stasia are looking on.

Rev. Roland Bahnsen was the first male child to be baptized in the present church.

was paid on the balance by the Trustees at the time. Then followed a Fellowship Luncheon and a time to think and talk of other days much to the pleasure of all present.

A MUSIC FESTIVAL and Choir Promotion service combined with Father's Day was held on June 17th at the morning service. All Choirs took part, and nearly a hundred singers were recognized for their services in Music during the year. The Rev. Arthur Freeman of Moravian Theological Seminary was the speaker for the occasion . . . At 4:00 P.M. the Edgeboro Congregation joined with us of Schoeneck in a joint Picnic in our Grove, marking the ending of the attendance and interest contest of the past ten weeks. Combined Brass choirs of the churches led by Millard Rice played for the occasion. About three hundred persons present. Edgeboro, the losers in the contest, treated with Dessert for all present.

MISSION DAY was held on Sunday, June 24th at the S. S. and morning worship hour, with the Rev. Edwin Kortz, the Preacher. The Pastor was at Advent Church in North Carolina for its 38th Anniversary. Brother Kortz challenged our people to a greater interest in our Foreign Mission efforts.

JOHN HUS became more real to our people on the Sundays, July 1st and 8th when The Rev. Andrew Slabey supplied at Schoeneck. First he spoke on the life and times of Hus, and in the second service, gave an original sermon by Hus translated into English and then commented on how appropriate it was for our day. Student Ray Joseph, of Moravian College, was in charge of services during the pastors vacation. All guest preachers were treated to hospitality in our homes, by arrangements made by an Elder, Harry Clewell, Sr.

THE AIR WAVES were used by Schoeneck for the first time during the month of August, when services of all four Sundays were Broadcast over the facilities of Radio Station WEST of Easton, Pennsylvania. This was a helpful experience for all of us. Many favorable comments have been received from a 50 mile radius. The Station facilities were free. The Boards and two Organizations raised the small amounts needed for wire rentals etc. We were on the air from 11:05 to 12 Noon. For the month therefore we began services at 10:45 A.M.

DISTRICT DAY was held on Sunday, September 30th, when Dr. Edwin Sawyer, President of the Eastern District was with us to preach the sermon and offer greetings, and thus open our Bicentennial Week of Services and programs. The Ushers Association promoted on this day a number of "Other Day" forms of Transportation brought to the Church grounds for the weekend, to stimulate interest and attendance at the services of the day.

BICENTENNIAL DINNER Wednesday, October 3rd at 6:30 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall of the Church. The Rev. Frederick P. Stocker, D.D. President of the Provincial Elders Conference, Speaker. He will also extend the greetings of the P.E.C. on the occasion. A feature of the evening, the display and the playing of a quintet of old trombones of the Schoeneck Church, one of which dates back to 1761. Dr. Clarence E. Clewell will present the first copy of his new book "Two Hundred Years At Schoeneck" to the congregation, and speak briefly of his experience while researching for the past year and a half in Schoeneck's archives. A booklet of Photos and Facts about the congregation prepared by the pastor and Board of Elders will be available. The Golden Rule Circle of Schoeneck Women are sponsoring the Dinner.

Clarence E. Chewell
227 Benjamin West Ave.
Swarthmore, Pennsylvania

August 27, 1962.

The Rev. Allen S. Hedgecock, Pastor,
Schoeneck Moravian Church,
Rural Post Office Route No. 2,
Nazareth,
Pennsylvania.

Dear Brother Hedgecock:

I am happy to participate in the preparations for the Anniversary Dinner, on the evening of October 3rd, by enclosing my check towards the Anniversary Cake.

May I say, in passing, that I greatly enjoyed the day yesterday at the Schoeneck Church. The morning service was truly inspiring, and the luncheon was all that one could possibly desire in enjoyment and friendly fellowship.

I shall now look forward to being with you on the evening of October 3rd, when I plan to present the bound copy of my Historical Paper for placement in the Archives of the Schoeneck Moravian Church.

With warmest personal regards and best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Clarence E. Chewell.

A SACRED CONCERT on Friday, October 5th, at 7:30 P.M. will feature the Moravian Symphony in Brass and Reeds led by Prof. Charles W. Noll, of Bethlehem. The event will be in the Schoeneck Church. A social hour in Fellowship Hall will follow the Concert.

BICENTENNIAL SERVICES will be held Sunday, October 7th, with Bible School at 9:15 A.M. Service, Sermon and Holy Communion at 10:30 A.M. The Rev. Vernon W. Couillard, M.A., Th. D., Dean of Moravian Theological Seminary, will be the preacher, and conduct the communion, assisted by the pastor, the Rev. Allen S. Hedgecock, and Student, Ray Joseph . . . At 3:30 P.M. the Lovefeast will be held with greetings from visiting pastors and a brief message from Dean Couillard.

THE STORY OF SCHOENECK will be highlighted at the annual meeting of the Moravian Historical Society, held at Nazareth Moravian Church, at 1:00 P.M. Thursday, October 11th, when Dr. C. E. Clewell will be the principal speaker. A number of Schoeneck members will unite with the Society on this occasion.

A SERVICE IN PENNSYLVANIA GERMAN is projected for the Schoeneck Bicentennial Schedule for Sunday, October 28th, at 7:30 P.M. at which time a Moravian Lovefeast will be held. It is expected that many persons from the neighboring Churches of the Area, will attend this Community Service.

OLD TIMERS DAY will again be held on the first Sunday in November, the 4th, at 10:30 A.M. This service is sponsored by the Ushers Association, at which time older folks of the Area are especially welcomed and honored.

GIERING DAY will be observed on Sunday, November 18th, when the Rev. and Mrs. Robert I. Giering, now retired and residing at Nazareth, will return to Schoeneck, one of their first fields of labor in the Christian Ministry. They will visit in the Bible School and bring greetings, and Bro. Giering will preach the sermon at the 10:30 A.M. Service. This will be followed by a Luncheon in their honor, in the Fellowship Hall of the Church, at which time there will be opportunity to think and speak of their experiences during their pastorate in this community.

THE SEASON OF ADVENT will be opened with A Sacred Musical on Sunday, December 2nd, at 7:30 P.M. when Mr. Noll and his Brass and Reeds will again visit us, and when our four choirs and Male Chorus will offer selections.

OUR BICENTENNIAL YEAR will close on New Year's Eve — December 31st, beginning at 7:30 P.M. with a series of Scenes from the Church's History, put on under the auspices of the Pageant Committee, headed by Mrs. Walter Haupt and Mrs. Howard Culver. This will be followed at 9:00 P.M. with the traditional Lovefeast, and at 10:00 P.M. with a Colored Slide Review of the Year by the Pastor, and at 11:15 P.M. by the Watch-Night Vigils. Then will follow the New Year Snack and Fellowship, sponsored annually by the Ushers Association. Then our SCHOENECK CHURCH WILL BEGIN ITS THIRD CENTURY — January 1, 1963





Schoeneck Moravian Graveyard — 1962



Artist's sketch showing complete Architect's plan for alterations and additions, including Fellowship Hall at the right, yet to be constructed. Sketch made and donated by Fred Bees of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

Jesus! still lead on,
Till our rest be won;
And although the way
Be cheerless,
We will follow, calm
and fearless;
Guide us by Thy hand
To our father-land.

If the way be drear,
If the foe be near,
Let not faithless
Fears o'ertake us,
Let not faith and hope
Forsake us;
For through many a foe
To our home we go.

When we seek relief
From a long-felt grief,
When temptations
Come alluring
Make us patient
And enduring,
Show us that bright shore
Where we weep no more.

Jesus! still lead on,
Till our rest be won;
Heavenly Leader,
Still direct us,
Still support, console,
Protect us,
Till safely stand
In our fatherland.

JABLONSKI SEAL

The original, in sealing wax, is affixed to the episcopal ordination certificate of David Nitschmann, dated June 14, 1737 and signed **Daniel Ernst Jablonski**, who was the grandson of John Amos Comenius, bishop of the ancient *Unitas Fratrum*.

The ordination took place in Berlin, March 13, 1735, and this was the transmission of the episcopacy from the ancient Unity to the Renewed Moravian Church.



This seal was designed by the architect Mr. John Paul Pharo, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, who worked from the original. The authority for the colors is William C. Reichel, Moravian historian, who mentioned "sanguine and argent" which would be red and silver.

The inscription is in Latin and is the Motto of the *Unitas Fratrum* or Moravian Church. It means "OUR LAMB HAS CONQUERED — LET US FOLLOW HIM."

Courtesy of Edgeboro Moravian Church

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